

**The Chapel Family Bible Reading Program - March 28 - April 2**  
***“The message of Easter is not that Jesus is alive, it is so much more.  
The message is that Jesus has risen.” Colin Smith***

**MONDAY:** John 11:17-27; John 6:35-40

**KEY VERSE:** John 11:25-26

**OBSERVATION:** *“The resurrection of Jesus changes the face of death for all His people. Death is no longer a prison, but a passage into God's presence. Easter says you can put truth in the grave, but it won't stay there.”* Clarence W. Hall. Why did Jesus come to live, die and rise from the dead? When did He know that he was going to come? **1.** When Adam and Eve sinned. **2.** When God the Father ordered Him to go? **3.** When God the Father, The Holy Spirit, and Jesus drew straws and Jesus lost. **4.** Before the creation of the earth and the creation of ADAM AND EVE.

**TUESDAY:** Matthew 27:45-56; Hebrews 9:1-8; Hebrews 10:19-25

**KEY VERSE:** Matthew 27:50

**OBSERVATION:** *“The primary source of the appeal of Christianity is Jesus – His incarnation, His life, His crucifixion, His resurrection..”* K. Catounette. What is the significance in Matthew 27:45-56 of people rising from death? What does it mean that Jesus *“gave up His spirit”*? What is the importance of the large curtain in the Jewish Temple being *torn in two*? What other significant things happened in Matthew 27:45-46?

**WEDNESDAY:** Matt. 28:1-10; Luke 24:34; Mark 16:1-14; John 20:19-26; I Cor. 15:6-7; Acts 1:3, 9.

**KEY VERSE:** Mark 16:9

**OBSERVATION:** *“The tomb of Christ is famous because of what it DOES NOT CONTAIN.”* Sam Morris. Why was Jesus chosen to be the one who would be **1.** Falsely Accused? **2.** Unlawfully arrested? **3.** Whipped nearly to death? **4.** Nailed to a cross? **5.** Ridiculed? **6.** Endure a horrible death? **7.** Rise again?

**THURSDAY:** Luke 24:1-12; Mark 16:1-8

**KEY VERSE:** Luke 24:6

**OBSERVATION:** *“There is more evidence that Jesus rose from the dead than there is that Julius Caesar ever lived or that Alexander the Great died at the age of thirty-three”.* Billy Graham. If you had been with the women who discovered the empty tomb of Jesus, how would you have responded? What questions would you ask? Would you have been **1.** Confused. **2.** Frightened. **3.** Angry. **4.** Surprised. **5.** Other. Why did the women come to the tomb before the disciples? Where were the disciples?

**FRIDAY:** Mark 16:9-12; Luke 24:24-26; John 20:19-21; John 20:25-26; I Cor. 15:6-7; Acts 1:3, 9.

**KEY VERSE:** Luke 24:25

**OBSERVATION:** *“We live and die. Christ died and lived.”* John Stott. *“Our old history ends with the cross: Our new history begins with the resurrection.”* Watchman Nee.

**SATURDAY:** Acts 2:29-34; John 1:25-26; I Peter 1:3-5

**KEY VERSE:** John 1:25-26

**OBSERVATION:** *I went to a psychologist friend and said if 500 people claimed to see Jesus after he died, it was just a hallucination. He said, hallucinations are an individual event. If 500 people have seen the same hallucination, that's a bigger miracle than the resurrection.”* Lee Strobel.